v.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA SAN JOSE DIVISION

Louis Vuitton Malletier, S.A., NO. C 07-03952 JW NO. C 08-03255 HRL

Plaintiff,

ORDER RE: RELATED CASES

Akanoc Solutions, Inc., et al.,

Defendants.

Luis Vuitton Malletier, S.A. ("Plaintiff") brings this action against Akonoc Solutions, Managed Solutions Group, and Steven Chen (collectively, "Defendants") for alleged trademark infringement. Before the Court is a *Sua Sponte* Judicial Referral for the Purpose of Determining whether this case is related to Managed Solutions Group, Inc., et al., v. Great American Insurance Company of New York, C 08-03255 HRL. See Civ. L.R. 3-12.

Under Civ. L.R. 3-12(a), cases are related if: 1) they "concern substantially the same parties, property, transaction, or events" and 2) it "appears likely that there will be an unduly burdensome duplication of labor and expense or conflicting results if the cases are conducted before different Judges."

In <u>Managed Solutions</u>, Managed Solutions claims that Great American Insurance has failed to defend it in this action. Since this action involves trademark infringement and <u>Managed Solutions</u> involves an insurance coverage dispute, the Court finds that the cases do not concern the same issues, events, or legal claims. Further, since only Managed Solutions is a common party to each

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1	suit, the Court finds that the cases do not involve substantially the same parties. Accordingly, the
2	Court does not find that the cases are related within the meaning of Civ. L.R. 3-12.
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4	Dated: July 25, 2008 JAMES WARE
5	United States District Judge
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Dated: July 25, 2008 Richard W. Wieking, Clerk

By: /s/ JW Chambers
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Courtroom Deputy